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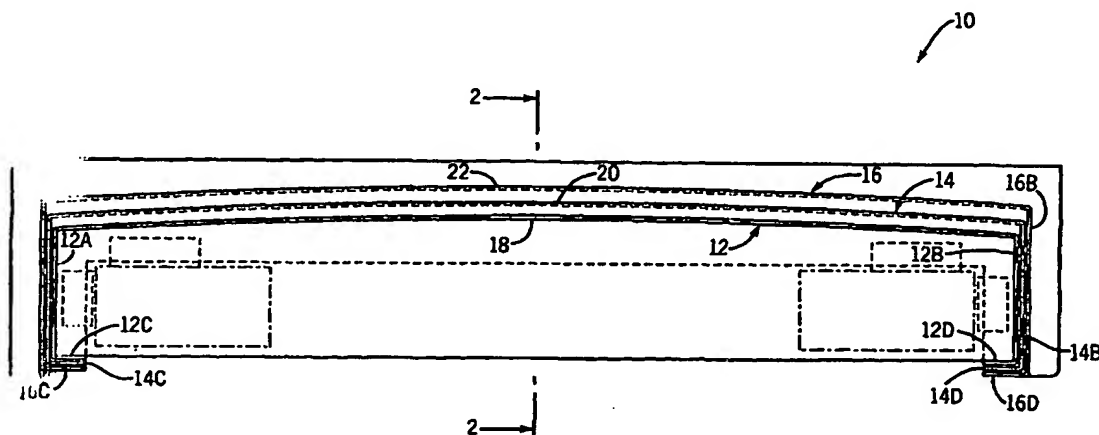
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(57) Abstract: A way cover section (12, 14, 16) is shaped with a continuous lateral arc by pre-stressing so that it's top panel (18, 20, 22) has a radius in it's top panel from one side panel (12A, 14A, 16A) of the cover section (12, 14, 16) to the other (12B, 14B, 16B). A wiper (40) at the leading edge (38) of the cover sections (12, 14, 16) that may also serve as a bumper. The wiper (40) has an elastomeric wiper (48) section at one end and an elastomeric bumper (46) section at the other end, with an intermediate section (44) of a harder and more lubricious material that fits on a rolled over edge (38) of the cover section (14, 16) to which the wiper (40) is attached.

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